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### THE ADMIRAL'S CORNER

There are problems of communication within the Coast Guard Reserve. Many reservists are not able to get important information in a timely manner, and those of us who run the program do not get the feedback we require from the field. In an attempt to correct this problem, we have developed the Reserve Bulletin which is published periodically. Articles concerning the Reserve of interest to the Coast Guard in general are published in the Commandant's Bulletin. The CG RESERVIST is intended for every member of the Reserve. All of these channels of communication are intended to help you - the individuals in our program - to be aware of the on-going activities. We still need feedback, but that will be the subject of a future Admiral's Corner.

Listed below is a concise rundown on present and future activities in the Coast Guard Reserve. Elsewhere in this issue is a listing of recently published directives. Look them over to make sure that you have seen any that apply to you or your duties.

### On The Menu

### Now Serving

Satisfactory Participation
standards have been tightened - to
improve training and increase advancements - make sure you understand what is expected of you - the
Reserve needs lots of petty officers.

<u>Headquarters Staff visits</u> to ORTU's are being made to pinpoint problems and develop solutions.

Reserve participation in the Department of Transportation's Cargo Security Program is underway. Some reservists will begin reporting on 5 March for 89 days' ACDUTRA.

All Hands - Push Hard - on recruiting -- particularly veteran petty officers - bring in a buddy.

Augmentation training at Coast Guard operational units is increasing. Many reservists are making exceptional individual efforts to participate - we are receiving lots of good reports - keep it expanding.

Repairing and overhauling of some Regular Service equipment is being accomplished by some ORTU's -both the Reserve and Regular units benefit from this combination of practical training and useful work -good idea for all units to consider.

Reserve Training Cutter "TANA-GER" has been decommissioned - West Coast Reserve afloat training will be on "ships of opportunity" - we fully expect that careful coordination between the District staff and Regular and Reserve units will result in no loss of training effectiveness.

### On The Grill

Operational weekend readiness exercises for use at the unit level are being developed - the district inspection teams may be springing some of these on you soon.

Delivery of three decommissioned WHEC's from Norfolk, Virginia to Guam is scheduled for April - these ships will be manned to a large degree by reservists on extended ACDUTRA and by RL's/RP's on initial ACDUTRA.

<u>Stationkeeper role</u> is being expanded to include recruiting duties and increased instructional responsibilities.

Reserve Rear Admiral selection board is scheduled for March - to pick one Reserve Rear Admiral.

P01's and CP0's with over 20 years in over-populated ratings will

be screened for possible removal from drill-pay status - to improve the advancement opportunities of those in lower grades - this is new for enlisted but it has been routinely applied to officers for years.

Redelegation of Authority from the Commandant to the district commanders is approved - involves entitlement to officer uniform maintenance allowances; award of Armed Forces Reserve Medal and Hour Glass Device; temporary residency outside the United States/religious obligation approval; assignment of Reserve officers to command billets; assignment of reservists to training category E and to inter-service training units - also- statements of total retirement points earned and credited will no longer be provided by Commandant (RA) except upon completion of 20 years' creditable service or transfer from an active status.

Recruiting assistance "Package" is now in preparation which contains all the info you need to get out there and "bring 'em back alive."

### In The Galley

Service-wide plans for utilization of reservists in environmental protection and boating safety activities are now being developed.

<u>Direct commission program</u> is getting a hard look to see if application and selection procedures can be further streamlined - we want all - certainly most - new officers to be obtained by direct commission from petty officers in the Selected Reserve.

Expansion of Port Securityman training is in the works by increasing emphasis on communications, law enforcement, and boat cox'n qualification.

Consolidate some ORTU's in cities remote from regular units where possible - to increase training effectiveness - expand ORTU's located in the major port areas.

Explorer Scouts of BSA will be permitted to participate in non-military, non-hazardous training on a

not-to-interfere basis by authority of a proposed directive now being prepared at Headquarters - this will be a excellent "community action" project bringing older teenagers to Reserve drills where they can learn more about the Coast Guard (actual overt recruiting of these lads is a no-no).

SPAR recruiting efforts will be increased - direct enlistment of mature young secretaries as YN/SK's looks like a winner.

Correspondence Course administration is being looked into - we'll try to streamline the rules.

These are a few of the ideas and programs affecting the Coast Guard Reserve today. As more information concerning them becomes available, I will pass it along to you.

# USCGC TANAGER



CAPT Oscar B. LUNDGREN, USN, Retired, first commanding officer of the TAN-AGER, addresses the official party and visitors during the decommissioning ceremonies conducted aboard the TANAGER at Alameda.

The Keel for the USS TANAGER (AM 385) was laid on 29 March 1944 on a contract dated 3 August 1943.

She was side launched at the American Shipbuilding Company, Lorain, Ohio, on 9 December 1944. Mrs. T. C. Slingluff, wife of LCDR SLINGLUFF, then assigned to Supervisor of Construction, Cleveland, christened the vessel. She broke the traditional bottle of Champagne on the first attempt, a good luck omen for TANAGER.

TANAGER was placed in commission at Lorain on 28 July 1945 by LCDR O. A. SIBLEY, USNR, representing the Commandant of the First Naval District.

TANAGER was the fifth of eight sister ships built at the American Shipbuilding Company. She is of the "RAVEN" class of Fleet Minesweeper, although by small changes in design she falls more specifically into the "MINIVET" class (MINIVET was the first ship in the last series of 220 foot minesweepers).

USS TANAGER (AM 385) replaced the first TANAGER (AM 5) which was sunk off Bataan in May 1942.

LCDR Oscar B. LUNDGREN, USNR, was TANAGER's first commanding officer. LT Horace L. BARNES, USN, served as the last Commanding Officer prior to TANAGER's decommissioning by the Navy and her placement in Reserve at Orange, Texas, on 10 December 1954.

In the summer of 1963, the Coast Guard began to investigate the possibility of obtaining one of the Fleet Minesweepers stored by the Navy at Orange, Texas.

During mid-September 1963, an inspection party from the Coast Guard checked the vessels at Orange, and decided that the TANAGER was best suited for activation. The Commandant requested that the Chief of Naval Operations transfer the TANAGER to the Coast Guard.

The transfer was authorized, and accomplished at Orange on 4 October 1963. TANAGER was towed to the Coast Guard Yard in Baltimore, Maryland, by the Cutters SEBAGO and CHEROKEE. Activation and conversion at the Yard occurred during the first half of 1964.

TANAGER was placed in commission at Yorktown, Virginia, on 11 July 1964. Assuming command was LCDR Robert G. VON ELM, USCGR. TANAGER was designated WTR 385. Since the CGC DEXTER also had the number "385," the designation of TANAGER was soon changed to WTR 885.

TANAGER was home-ported in Yorktown until fall of 1969. At that time she was moved to the west coast where she was based at Alameda, California.

CGC TANAGER was decommissioned at Alameda on 1 February as part of the President's program to reduce government spending. During her Coast Guard career she served as a training aid for thousands of Coast Guard Reservists who might otherwise have been unable to receive actual sea training.

# Satisfactory Participation & Overseas Travel

Commandant Notice 1571 of 29 November 1971 redefined and clarified the standards of satisfactory participation in the Coast Guard Reserve. As in all cases of changes of policy and procedures, the newer provisions supercede older conflicting ones.

Section 3-7-1 of the Administrative Manual for Coast Guard Reserve, CG-296, specifies that reservists traveling abroad must notify the district commander and submit a statement acknowledging that they have been informed that EIOD will not be authorized for their absences. This policy is changed by Commandant Notice 1571 of 29 November.

EIOD is now required to be performed for absences stemming from situations such as travel abroad. At a future date, the manual will be amended. However, in the interim, reservists should be aware that travel abroad does not relieve them of their obligation to fulfill all aspects of satisfactory participation.

# COTP CHICAGO COMPLIMENTS RESERVISTS

Reservists in the Chicago area have had tribute paid by CAPT Marc Welliver, Captain of the Port for that City. CAPT Welliver advised the Ninth District Commander:

"I have noted with pleasure that the reserve enlisted men and officers without exception, have reported for duty in port safety and administrative fields with very good military bearing and have pursued the port safety missions and administrative duties in an excellent manner. These men are generally capable of conducting inspections of facilities, vessels and investigation of water pollution incidents within two or three days of reporting and are generally considered qualified upon completion of their ACDUTRA.

"The assignment of reserve personnel has not only alleviated many of our problems but has afforded us the opportunity to institute nightly and weekend port safety patrols to provide better coverage of our area of responsibility."

CAPT Welliver's fine program illustrates the kinds of growing use of reservists servicewide for augmentation purposes.

### DIRECTIVES

As a part of the overall effort to improve communication within the Coast Guard Reserve, the following recently published directives are listed for your information. Some of these may apply to you. Your unit has received all of them, and they are available for you to read there.

10-20-71 COMDTNOTE 1571. Instructor and Support Personnel for Reserve Summer Training Program. Provides advanced information and solicites applications for summer ACDUTRA programs.

10-29-71 COMDTINST 1001.14D Initial ACDUTRA for RL personnel. Updates training procedures and requirements.

11-15-71 COMDTNOTE 1920. Reserve Officer Mobilization Disposition Board announces convening of Board to screen officers on the Inactive Status List.

11-24-71 COMDTNOTE 1550. CH-1 to COMDTINST 1550.5, Subj: The Navy Functional Individual Training System (FITS) for Coast Guard Reserve Personnel on Inactive Duty; required use of . Provides an updated course listing.

11-24-71 COMDTNOTE 1550. Correlence Course Requirements for Admancement in the Port Security Rating in the Inactive Duty Coast Guard
Reserve. Requires completion of Port
Security (Advanced) course for advancement to PS1 and PSC after September 1972.

11-29-71 COMDTNOTE 1570. Satisfactory Participation in the Coast Guard Reserve. Publishes complete guidelines for satisfactory participation in Coast Guard Reserve.

11-29-71 COMDTNOTE 1401 (ALDIST 249) Inactive Duty Reserve Officer Selection Board. Announces zones for promotion to Captain and Commanders.

11-30-71 COMDTNOTE 1571. Senior Reserve Officer Specialty Courses. Publishes requirements, quotas, and procedures for applicants in these ACDUTRA programs.

12-8-71 COMDTNOTE 1421 Appointment of Qualified Inactive Duty Chief Warrant Officers as Lieutenants, Junior Grade. Publishes requirements and procedures for applicants in this program.

12-13-71 COMDTNOTE 1571. Initial Active Duty For Training Orders (Form CG-3891SM)(Rev. 10-71) Availability of. Self-explanatory.

12-14-71 COMDTNOTE 1001. CH-1 to COMDTINST 1001.14D, Subj: Initial ACDUTRA for USCGR RL Personnel. Re-

vises information in basic instruction pertaining to BAQ.

12-15-71 COMDTNOTE 10122(ALDIST 264)
Reserve CPO Special Clothing Monetary
Allowance. Calls attention to previously published, but often incorrectly computed, amount for clothing allowance.

12-17-71 COMDTNOTE 1571. Special Operational Augmentation Training Opportunities for Coast Guard Reservists. Lists certain special ACDUTRA programs for augmenting technical Coast Guard activities.

12-20-71 COMDTNOTE 1550. CH-1 to COMDTINST 1550.6, Subj: Remedial Action Required of Reserve Unit Commanding Officers When Trainees Twice Fail an End-of-Course Test; promulgation of. Eliminates requirement for written reports.

12-27-71 COMDTNOTE 1300. Change in Policy of Submitting Military Status of Registrant, Form DD-44 annually. Revises requirement to submit DD-44 on all obligated Reservists.

1-7-72 COMDTNOTE 7220 (ALDIST 007). Command Pay for ORTU Commanding Officers. Authorizes commencement of standardized rate of command pay.

1-12-72 COMDTNOTE 5060. Coast Guard Washington D. C. Reserve Officers Association Congressional Award; establishment of. Announces establishment and criteria for this Award and the retirement of the Gordon Canfield Trophy.

1-18-72 COMDTNOTE 1401 (ALDIST 018). Inactive Duty Reserve Officer Selection Board. Announces zone for promotion to Lieutenant Commander.

1-27-72 COMDTNOTE 1401 (ALDIST 025) CH-1 to COMDTNOTE 1401 (ALDIST 249/71) Inactive Duty Reserve Officer Selection Board. Revises zones for promotion to Captain and Commander.

2-4-72 COMDTINST 5801.3, SUPPLE-MENT 1. Legal Assistance Program. Authorizes use of Reservists who are lawyers in the Coast Guard's Legal Assistance program on appropriate duty orders.

2-8-72 Amendment 28 to Administrative Manual for CG Reserve, CG-296. Changes to Chapters 4 and 6. Publishes changes to enlisted marks, enlisted advancement procedures and a revised index.

2-14-72 COMDTNOTE 1001. Summer 1972 Use of Reservists for On-the-Job Training; advance planning for. Directs districts to develop plans and requirements for Reserve augmentation of operating units.

2-15-72 COMDTNOTE 5402. Redelegation of Certain Reserve Program Adminstrative Authority. Delegates authority to district commanders to verify officer uniform maintenance allowance, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, effect assignment to TRACAT E, assign CO's of ORTU's, VTU's, and ORPSU's, effect discharge and reenlistment of reservists outside the United States.

# 14th District Operational Exercise

In a test of the unit's mobility and operational readiness, ORTUPS 14-82951 recently conducted a two day operational exercise, at a site over one hundred miles from their normal drill area.

To cap the classroom training which had been conducted during October and November, the unit, with all necessary equipment, was airlifted by a C-130 from Coast Guard Air Station, Barbers Point to Lihue, Kauai for an exercise involving simulated oil spills in Nawiliwili Harbor and Kapaa, a beach and resort area. For the purpose of the exercise, the unit was divided into three "watches," each of which had a complete problem to work out. This aspect of the exercise provided much practical experience since the unit is part of the local strike force for pollution problems. To provide yet another aspect of the Port Security exercise, the Unit Training Officer, Lieutenant P. F. MAJORS, USCGR, headed a group of "Aggressors" who penetrated the port area at night to attempt to disrupt communications and presumably carry out acts of sabotage.

The National Guard at Kapaa assisted the conduct of the exercise by providing berthing for the unit members, and by providing vehicles for transporting the Coast Guardsmen to the various sites of the simulated oil spills.

The unit is commanded by Lieutenant Commander G. A. STEPP, USCGR, who, interestingly enough, was a civilian volunteer boat operator for the Coast Guard during the Pearl Harbor attack.

# In Case You Didn't Know

IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW IT, Commander W. P. ALLEN is the Commanding officer of the CGC STORIS, which was involved in that incident with the Russian fishing vessels off Alaska in January. CDR ALLEN is the former Chief, Reserve Division in the Second Coast Guard District, and is an RPA.

# VIETNAM

The following message from the Commandant needs no explanation.

"On 21 December 1971 the CASTLE ROCK and COOK INLET were turned over to the representative of Vietnam Navy. This ended our participation in Seventh Fleet Southeast Asia operations after six and one half years of assisting the Navy in Operation Market Time. During these years 31 HEC'S and 26 82-ft patrol boats and a number of specialized units have seen Vietnam service. They have compiled an enviable record. Coast Guardsmen boarded or inspected over 510,000 boats in performance of their patrol mission. They took part in nearly 6,000 NGFS missions in support of Army and Ma-

rine Corps troops ashore. The cutters cruised nearly 5.5 million miles since 1965. We lost seven of our brave men while 59 were wounded. Over 500 personal decorations were awarded to Coast Guardsmen for Vietnam service. And during all this time I know first hand that our men, true to their humanitarian ideals, did not forget their fellow man. This is evidenced by the many civic action projects, medical missions, and search and rescue cases. Not to mention the private assistance made to charitable works such as The Saigon School for Blind Girls. The Coast Guard record in Vietnam is a record of which you all can be just-ly proud. To the last men leaving Squadron Three go my best wishes for a speedy return home. To all of you who have served your country in Vietnam go my sincere thanks and admira-Admiral Bender sends"

### Pollution Control

A study was awarded to Massachu-setts Institute of Technology, Department of Naval and Marine Engineering to investigate the application of membranes to isolate oil and other fluids in tankers from sea water ballast. This effort, if successful, will provide tanker operators with the capability of pumping overboard ballast seawater that has not been contaminated by oil during deballasting. The MIT study should indicate the feasibility of performing this task by means of flexible membranes.

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